REQUIRED READING: The Contender by Robert Lipsyte

Beach Reads:

Jazmin's Notebook, Nikki Grimes
I'll Be There, Holly Goldberg Sloan
12 Things to Do Before You Crash and Burn, James Proimos
The Summer I Turned Pretty, Jenny Han
Delirium series, Lauren Oliver (choose one)

Classics:

The Chocolate War, Robert Cormier
Jane Eyre, Charlotte Bronte
A Tree Grows in Brooklyn, Betty Smith
The Pearl, John Steinbeck
The Odyssey, Gareth Hinds (graphic novel)

Historical Fiction:

Bloody Jack series, L.A. Meyer (choose one) The Berlin Boxing Club, Robert Sharenow Fallen Angels, Walter Dean Myers Forge, Laurie Halse Anderson The Girl is Murder, Kathryn Miller Haines

Contemporary Literature:

The Things a Brother Knows, Dana Reinhardt Forged by Fire series, Sharon Draper (choose one) If You Come Softly, Jacqueline Woodson Speak, Laurie Halse Anderson Tyrell, Coe Booth

Sci-Fi/Fantasy:

Feed, M.T. Anderson Creature Tech, Doug TenNapel (graphic novel) The Hobbit or The Lord of the Rings series, J.R.R. Tolkien (choose one) Interstellar Pig, William Sleator A Wrinkle in Time, Madeline L"Engle

Non-fiction:

A Child Called It series, Dave J. Pelzer (choose one)

King: A Comics Biography of MLK, Jr., Ho Che Anderson (graphic novel)

I Have Lived a Thousand Years, Livia Bitton Jackson

They Called Themselves the KKK, Susan Campbell Bartoletti

We Beat the Street, Sampson Davis, George Jenkins, Rameck Hunt, and Sharon

Draper

REQUIRED READING: The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian by Sherman Alexie

Beach Reads:

Food, Girls, and Other Things I Can't Have, Allen Zadoff
The Perks of Being a Wallflower, Stephen Chbosky
Pretties, Uglies, Specials series, Scott Westerfeld (choose one)
Rucker Park Setup, Paul Volponi
Very LeFreak, Rachel Cohn

Classics:

Animal Farm, George Orwell Nectar in a Sieve, Kamala Markandaya The Old Man and the Sea, Ernest Hemingway Sense and Sensibility, Jane Austen A Separate Peace, John Knowles

Historical Fiction:

The Book Thief, Markus Zusak
The Glory Field, Walter Dean Myers
Maus I & II, Art Spiegelman (graphic novels)
Revolution, Jennifer Donnelly
The Samurai's Garden, Gail Tsukiyama

Contemporary Literature:

Americus, M.K. Reed & Jonathan Hill (graphic novel)
Hate List, Jennifer Brown
Marcelo in the Real World, Francisco X. Stork
Mexican Whiteboy, Matt de la Pena
Three Weeks in December by Audrey Schulman [*2012 Cambridge READS book*]

Sci-Fi/Fantasy:

The Hunger Games series, Suzanne Collins (choose one) Ender's Game, Orson Scott Card The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy, Douglas Adams All These Things I've Done, Gabrielle Zevin Graceling series, Kristin Cashore (choose one) The Knife of Never Letting Go, Patrick Ness

Non-fiction:

Our America, LeAlan Jones and Lloyd Newman Dreams from My Father, Barack Obama Mountains Beyond Mountains, Tracy Kidder Roots, Alex Haley Where Did You Sleep Last Night?, Danzy Senna

REQUIRED READING: The Color of Water by James McBride

Beach Reads:

The Future of Us, Jay Asher & Carolyn Mackler The Dying Ground: A Hip-Hop Noir Novel, Nichelle D. Tramble The Sky is Everywhere, Jandy Nelson Maximum Ride series, James Patterson (choose one) That Summer, Sarah Dessen

Classics:

The Color Purple, Alice Walker
The Grapes of Wrath, John Steinbeck
Cat's Cradle, Kurt Vonnegut
In Cold Blood, Truman Capote
On the Road, Jack Kerouac

Historical Fiction:

Cold Mountain, Charles Frazier
Copper Sun, Sharon Draper
Jesse, Gary Soto
The Autobiography of Malcolm X, Malcolm X & Alex Haley
Booth, C.C. Colbert & Tanitoc (graphic novel)

Contemporary Literature:

Bel Canto, Ann Patchett Interpreter of Maladies, Jhumpa Lahiri My Name is Memory, Ann Brashares Water for Elephants, Sara Gruen Winter's Bone, Daniel Woodrell

Sci-Fi/Fantasy:

The Marbury Lens, Andrew Smith
Blood and Chocolate, Annette Curtis Klause
Discworld series, Terry Prachett (choose one)
Blood Red Road, Moira Young
Watchmen, Alan Moore and Dave Gibbons (graphic novel)

Non-fiction:

The Worst Hard Time, Timothy Egan Confederates in the Attic, Tony Horwitz The Glass Castle, Jeannette Walls Fast Food Nation, Eric Schlosser The Wordy Shipmates, Sara Vowell

REQUIRED READING: The Kite Runner by Khaled Hosseini

Beach Reads:

The View from the Top, Hillary Frank Little Brother, Cory Doctorow Love Sick, Jake Coburn The Taqwacores, Michael Muhammad Knight Traitor, Andy McNab & Robert Rigby

Classics:

All the King's Men, Robert Penn Warren
Crime and Punishment, Fyodor Dostoevsky
Madame Bovary, Gustave Flaubert
Mrs. Dalloway, Virginia Woolf
One Hundred Years of Solitude, Gabriel Garcia Marquez

Historical Fiction:

Caucasia, Danzy Senna Wide Sargasso Sea, Jean Rhys The Secret Life of Bees, Sue Monk Kidd The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier & Clay, Michael Chabon Year of Wonders, Geraldine Brooks

Contemporary Literature:

Room, Emma Donaghue Little Bee, Chris Cleave Salvage the Bones, Jesmyn Ward Me Talk Pretty One Day, David Sedaris Middlesex, Jeffrey Eugenides

Sci-Fi/Fantasy:

Brave New World, Aldous Huxley
A Clockwork Orange, Anthony Burgess
WE3, Grant Morrison (graphic novel)
The Night Circus, Erin Morgenstern
V for Vendetta, Alan Moore & David Lloyd (graphic novel)

Non-fiction:

127 Hours: Between a Rock and a Hard Place, Aron Ralston
The New Kids: Big Dreams and Brave Journeys at a High School for Immigrant Teens,
Brooke Hauser
The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks, Rebecca Skloot
Nickel and Dimed, Barbara Ehrenreich
Moneyball, Michael Lewis